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FEDERAL AVIATION AGENCY
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CIVIL AIR REGULATIONS DRAFT RELEASE NO. 60-17A

SUBJECT: Airport Traffic Area Rules; Provisions for Reply to Docket Comments

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The Bureau of Air Traffic Management has under consideration a proposal which would establish revised regulations covering the flight operation of all aircraft operated on and in the vicinity of airports. This proposal was published on October 14, 1960, for public comment in the Federal Register (25 F.R. 9868) and was given additional distribution in Draft Release No. 60-17, dated October 7, 1960.

In order that maximum opportunity be provided for comments by interested persons, an additional period of 15 days is being provided after December 14, 1960, the final date for comments to that proposal, to permit interested persons to reply to comments in the Docket File. The procedures governing submission of reply comments are presented in the attached notice of proposed rule making.

It should be noted that replies to comments in the Docket File must be submitted in duplicate to the Docket Section of the Federal Aviation Agency, Room B-316, 1711 New York Avenue, N. W., Washington 25, D. C., prior to December 30, 1960.

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For Director, Bureau of Air Traffic Management

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BUREAU OF AIR TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT

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[Reg. Docket No. 531; Draft Release No. 60-17A]

AIR TRAFFIC RULES

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE MAKING

Airport Traffic Area Rules; Provision for Reply to Docket Comments

Pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Administrator (14 CFR, Part 405), notice is hereby given that an additional 15 days is provided to receive additional comments from interested persons, relative to Draft Release 60-17 (Regulatory Docket No. 531), as published in the Federal Register on October 14, 1960, (25 F.R. 9868). This additional period is provided for the specific purpose of permitting a review by interested persons of comments contained in Docket File No. 531 at the close of the comment period and to permit the submission of additional comments in reply to docket comments if desired.

Opportunity for reply to initial comments has potential benefits in cases where the issues are complex and there is reason to believe that the various segments of industry differ in viewpoint. The allowable period for review of the Docket File will necessarily be short, normally being a 15 day period after the close of the comment period. The Agency will not publish or reproduce docket comments or otherwise make such comments available to the public except to permit access to the Docket File after the specified final date for comment. It will be incumbent upon interested persons to visit the Docket Section and review the comments if they desire to take advantage of the reply provision.

Comments in reply to docket comment should be submitted in duplicate in the same fashion as established for initial comment.

This procedure is being utilized to provide all interested persons with the opportunity to evaluate and appreciate the positions of other interested persons and to support, oppose, or elaborate on such views or to effect modification of their own comments in consideration thereof. Acceptance of and full participation in this procedure should prove to be of substantial benefit both to the Agency and to the aviation community.

Provision of a reply period in no way precludes the conduct of hearings should they be determined appropriate. Comments relative to the reply procedure and recommendations for improvement thereto are solicited.

The proposal contained in Draft Release 60-17 affects the operation of almost all segments of aviation and it appears that there may be many and varied comments relative to the proposal. All reply comments received prior to December 30, 1960, will be considered by the Administrator before taking action upon the proposed rule. The proposals contained in Draft Release 60-17 may be changed in the light of both the comments received and the replies relative thereto.

This action is taken under the authority of Section 307 of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958 (72 Stat. 749, 49 U.S.C. 1348).

Brig. Gen., USAF
For Director, Bureau of Air Traffic Management

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